

# One-Stop Solutions for Telecommunications: CONNECTIONS II

GSA Offers the Telecommunications Infrastructure for Your Agency Needs







In today's high-tech world, telecommunications requirements can mean the difference between you getting a task done efficiently and searching the procurement landscape to find the right solution. At GSA, it's our business to understand the needs of our mission - and that is why we plan to offer you a follow-on to our CONNECTIONS contract.

CONNECTIONS II, a new acquisition solution, will offer many of the services currently provided by the existing Connections contracts that will expire in January 2011.

Just as its name implies, CONNECTIONS II joins together the telecommunications equipment and supporting resources you need to accomplish your task. Furthermore, CONNECTIONS II can implement a specific solution based on your description of your general requirement ... providing you with a right-fit solution.

Whenever you use CONNECTIONS II, you will experience convenient, one-stop shopping to help meet your needs of all labor, equipment, and solutions to support telecommunications, networking and network-centric applications at the LAN, building, campus and enterprise level.

#### **Special benefits will include:**

- Simplified competition process, and extremely fast contract modifications for adding new equipment
- Performance-based contracting
- Small and large businesses as prime contractors
- Ability to draw value from existing Networx and other ITS Network Services contracts
- Commercial off-the-shelf (COTS) or customized solutions, or a strategic combination of both

CONNECTIONS II fosters price reductions and quality offerings in a performance-based environment. When used in combination with GSA's local and long-distance telecommunications contracts, you can look to GSA as your genuine end-to-end solution provider.

#### How to Order

Whether you will choose to place a GSA-assisted order or to order independently, you will experience enormous flexibility. Also, you will be served by delivery or task orders to provide an easy approach to Fair Opportunity and Award.

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### **Contract Type**

CONNECTIONS II will be a global, multi-year contract.

## **Examples of CONNECTIONS II Solutions**

- Enterprise architecture: interoperability and centralization
- Security: protecting your telecommunications infrastructure
- Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP) and Disaster recovery
- Information management: storage and system integration
- Consolidation of billing
- · Connectivity: on-site cabling and wiring

# **Service Types**

CONNECTIONS II will have a breadth of services including:

- · Defining requirements
- Assessing alternatives
- Designing solutions

- Installing and operating equipment and services, while meeting a variety of requirements:
  - Telecommunications equipment, which includes cabling, routers and switches
  - Support services, which include project managers, technicians, and Web architects
  - Customized solutions, which include network engineering and operations support

#### **Additional Capabilities**

- Legacy voice, data and video teleconferencing solutions
- IP and converged solutions
- · Cable and wire management
- Billing and account management
- Customer service and technical support

#### **For More Information**

If you have questions, please contact the existing CONNECTIONS contract team at (877) 387-2001 or visit www.gsa.gov/connections. In addition, you can view our current CONNECTIONS contracts on that Web site. As soon as CONNECTIONS II is developed, the present Web site will provide a link to the CONNECTIONS II Web page.



